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"I hope we may find some means, in future, of shielding ourselves from foreign influence, political, commercial, or in whatever form it may be attempted. It is a serious matter, and one that should be constantly in the mind of every citizen."—Jefferson.

TO ALL THAT VALUE THEIR SIGHT

Wishes to call the attention of all that suffer with defective sight, caused by age, sickness, and particularly from glasses injudiciously selected, to his superior Spectacles and Glasses, carefully ground by himself, to a true spherical accuracy, and brilliant transparency, suited precisely and beneficially to the wearer, according to the convexity or concavity of the eye. Very numerous are the ill effects caused to the precious organs of sight from the commencement of using glasses not being precisely suited, by the use of an optician, and the practice of many years enables him to measure the focal distance of the eyes, and such glasses that are absolutely required will be furnished with precision and satisfaction.

Persons that cannot conveniently call, by sending the glasses in use, and stating how many inches they can read this print with their spectacles, can be supplied with such that will improve their sight.

Circulars to be had gratis, at his office, No. 512, Seventh street, three doors from Old-Fellows Hall, up stairs.

Unnumbered testimonials to be seen and references given to many who have derived the greatest ease and comfort from his glasses.

WILMINGTON, N. C., June 10, 1854.

To persons who have had the sight of their eyes impaired, and are seeking for relief, I would recommend Mr. John Tobias as a suitable person from whom to obtain such glasses as they may require, as he has suited me with a pair of Spectacles for a far and near sight. My sight has been impaired very far by a service of years in the Post Office Department, which has required me to be at work from 11 o'clock at night till eight at day, during which time I used but one light.

W. A. WALKER.

### BROOKLYN OPTICIAN'S INSTITUTION.

April, 1854.

After most careful examination of Mr. J. Tobias's Glasses, I am enabled to testify that their hardness, clearness, polishing, and exact optical shape, render them particularly recommendable to those whose merely optical impairment of the eyes are in want of such auxiliaries. I consider, moreover, Mr. Tobias fully qualified to determine the nature of the eye, both by his optical knowledge and experience, and by means of his optometer. In addition, I can further state that Mr. Tobias has supplied some of my patients with Glasses, to their mutual satisfaction.

LOUIS BAUER, M. D.

Physician and Surgeon, Berlin; Member of the Royal Society of Surgeons, England; Member of the Medical Society of London, and of the Pathological Society of New York; late Surgeon of the Royal Orthopaedic Institution of Manchester, England, and Surgeon of the B. O. Institution.

Copy of testimonial which appeared in the Daily American Organ, May 21, 1855, from Judge V. Ellis, (late editor).

"Having suffered for many years past with weakness of the eyes, and that defect of vision which results from a constant and intense use of these sensitive organs, we were led to make a trial of Tobias's new and improved discovery for the eyes, whose merits are fully set forth in the articles published by sundry gentlemen of Virginia, whom we know, and therefore had less hesitation in making the experiment. We are more than pleased with the article. We read with less fatigue with these lenses than we are without them; and we are enabled to read distinctly with them. Without meaning to disparage the claims of others, who have made improvements in Spectacle Lenses, we deem it but just to make the above statement. Mr. Tobias resides on Seventh street, opposite the National Intelligence office."

LYNCHBURG, November 7, 1854.

From an examination of Mr. Tobias's Glasses, and from his observations and remarks, am convinced that he is a skilful optician.

J. J. BLACKFORD, M. D.

Newport, Va., July 27, 1854.

In the experience of even two years, I have found great difficulty in obtaining Spectacles that were exactly adapted to the weakness of my sight. This inconvenience Mr. Tobias seems to have removed for the present by the substitution for me of better and more suitable Glasses. They are clear, crystalline, and comfortable to my eyes. I would commend him to those who, from age or other infirmity, require artificial aid in this way.

J. J. SIMKINS, M. D.

Sir: The pair of Spectacles you furnished me yesterday are perfectly satisfactory to me. They are very decidedly the best I possess, and I am the owner of eight or nine pairs, carefully selected in different places, and from opticians recommended to me on account of their professional standing in France, England, and the United States. I have been also pleased with your remarks and directions on the treatment of the eyes, for the purpose of preserving and improving the sight.

Respectfully yours, OHS. CALDWELL,

Professor of M. O., Louisville, Ky.

Mr. J. Tobias.

WASHINGTON, August 8, 1855.

Having been for years under the necessity of having two sets of glasses—one for use in the daylight, and one for lamplight—I procured one set from Mr. Tobias, which answered both purposes. I have used him for several months, and find them excellent.

EDWARD STUBBS,

Of Department of State.

PETERSBURG, October 21, 1854.

About five years ago, Mr. Tobias, in Washington, a pair of Glasses for the Spectacles, which I used, and found them of great assistance to my declining vision, and my opinion of him is, that he is skilful in the preparation of Glasses for eyes not too far gone to be benefited by such aid.

J. J. MAY.

See, for more testimonials, the Evening Star, Aug. 15-17.

### SPRING STYLE OF GENTLEMEN'S

Dress Hats for 1856.—I shall this day introduce Dees, Leary, and Gen's fashionable New York Dress Hats.

LANE'S

Fashionable Hat, Cap, and

Gent's Furnishing Store.

### Platform of the American Party, adopted

at the session of the National Council, February 21st, 1856.

1st. A humble acknowledgment to the Supreme Being, for His protecting care vouchsafed to our fathers in their successful Revolutionary struggle, and his heroic manifested to us, their descendants, in the preservation of the liberties, the independence, and the union of these States.

2d. The perpetuation of the Federal Union, as the palladium of our civil and religious liberties, and the only sure bulwark of American Independence.

3d. Americans must rule America, and to this end, native-born citizens should be selected for all State, Federal, and municipal offices, or government employment, in preference to all others: nevertheless,

4th. Persons born of American parents residing temporarily abroad, should be entitled to all the rights of native-born citizens; but

5th. No person should be selected for political station, (whether of native or foreign birth,) who recognises any allegiance or obligation of any description to any foreign prince, potentate or power, or who refuses to recognise the Federal and State constitutions (each within its sphere) as paramount to all other laws, as rules of political action.

6th. The unqualified recognition and maintenance of the reserved rights of the several States, and the cultivation of harmony and fraternal good will, between the citizens of the several States, and to this end, non-interference by Congress with questions appertaining solely to the individual States, and non-intervention by each State with the affairs of any other State.

7th. The recognition of the right of the native-born and naturalized citizens of the United States, permanently residing in any Territory thereof, to frame their constitution and laws, and to regulate their domestic and social affairs in their own mode, subject only to the provisions of the Federal Constitution, with the privilege of admission into the Union whenever they have the requisite population for one Representative in Congress. Provided always, that none but those who are citizens of the United States, under the constitution and laws thereof, and who have a fixed residence in any such Territory, ought to participate in the formation of the constitution, or in the enactment of laws for said Territory or State.

8th. An enforcement of the principle that no State or Territory ought to admit others than citizens of the United States to the right of suffrage, or of holding political office.

9th. A change in the laws of naturalization, making a continued residence of twenty-one years, of all not heretofore provided for, an indispensable requisite for citizenship hereafter, and excluding all persons, and persons convicted of crime, from landing upon our shores; but no interference with the vested rights of foreigners.

10th. Opposition to any union between Church and State; no interference with religious faith, or worship, and no test oath for office.

11th. Free and thorough investigation into any and all alleged abuses of public functionaries, and a strict economy in public expenditures.

12th. The maintenance and enforcement of all laws constitutionally enacted, until said laws shall be repealed, or shall be declared null and void by competent judicial authority.

13th. Opposition to the reckless and unwise policy of the present administration in the general management of our national affairs, and more especially as shown in removing "Americans" (by designation) and conservatives in principle, from office, and placing foreigners and ultraists in their places; as shown in a truckling subservience to the stronger, and an insolent and cowardly bravado towards the weaker powers; as shown in repudiating sectional agitation, by the repeal of the Missouri Compromise; as shown in granting to unauthorized foreigners the right of suffrage in Kansas and Nebraska; as shown in its vacillating course in the Philippine Islands; and as shown in the department of the government; as shown in disgracing meritorious naval officers through prejudice or caprice; and as shown in the blundering mismanagement of our foreign relations.

14th. Therefore, to remedy existing evils, and prevent the disastrous consequences otherwise resulting therefrom, we would build up the "American party" upon the principles heretofore stated.

15th. That each State Council shall have authority to amend their several constitutions, so as to abolish the several degrees, and institute a pledge of honor, instead of other obligations for fellowship and admission into the party.

16th. A free and open discussion of all political principles embraced in our platform.

### NEW FIRM AND NEW ARRANGEMENTS.

**THE UNDERSIGNED, T. POTENTINI and S. ZITTELL,** having formed a copartnership for the purpose of carrying on the Confectionery and Restaurant business, at 279, Pennsylvania avenue, under the style of

**POTENTINI & ZITTELL,**

beg leave to call the attention of the patrons of the old firm, and the public generally, to the increased facilities which they now offer for supplying

**WEDDING, BALL, AND SUPPER PARTIES,**

at the shortest possible notice, with all the delicacies both in and out of season.

Rooms furnished for Breakfast, Dinner, and Supper, for private parties, at all times.

We have also connected with our establishment a fine Salon, fitted up expressly for the ladies, where they can be furnished with

**GAME AND OYSTERS**

of all kinds, served up in every style, at the shortest notice. Ladies favoring us with a call can always be furnished with every delicacy that the appetite desires.

Ladies and gentlemen can have their meals sent to them at their private rooms by leaving orders.

We will also pay particular attention to the manufacturing of plain and ornamental Confectionery in all their branches, and will always keep on hand a select assortment of French Confectionery, Bon Bons, Preserves, &c.

**POTENTINI & ZITTELL,**

279, south side Pa. av., bet. 10th and 11th sts.

**RESTAURANT AND READING ROOM.**

Having just opened at No. 560, Pennsylvania avenue, near the foot of Capitol Hill, a new Restaurant, I am prepared to furnish refreshments in the most recherche style. The Bar is supplied with the best liquors, and the assortment of Jellies is refreshing, but to do justice to it, as to food, Oysters and Game of all kinds in season will always be on hand, prepared to suit the tastes of the most fastidious.

Cigars and Tobacco of the best brands, as well as Pipes, so exhilarating after a Julep.

A Reading Room, with the latest papers, will furnish the current news.

Long experience in the business encourages me to promise general satisfaction to my friends and all who may favor me with a call.

**R. M. A. FENWICK,**

279-281.

### WHITE-HOUSE PAVILION

ON THE POTOMAC.

THE undersigned have opened for the season this delightful and fashionable resort for the accommodation of the public and parties wishing to visit the most agreeable retreat, where they can be furnished on the most liberal terms, with all the luxuries of the season, and with the best refreshments of all kinds, both at the Pavilion and on board the boat.

Parties having their own caterer can have the use of the dining and ball rooms for fifteen dollars for the occasion.

**WM. COKE & CO.,**

National Excursion House,

Cor. 6th street and Penn. avenue, D. C.

### RESTAURANT AND READING ROOMS,

Southeast corner of E and Seventh streets, opposite Post Office Department.

THE best of Liquors, Cigars, and Cheering Tobacco; strictly choice Oysters, Sea Turtle, Terrapin, Fish and Duck in season; Quail, Woodcock, Snipe, Venison, and Beefsteak, served by an experienced cook and polite servants, in pleasant rooms. Private entrance to Reading and Dining Rooms on E and Seventh streets, for those who object to public bar rooms.

Families supplied with Oysters on chafing-dishes. Whiskies, Ales, and other drinks, 5 cents; fine Brandy, 10 cents.

Leading political and literary periodicals in reading rooms.

Patronage is respectfully solicited.

**TOPHAM & NORFLETT'S**

NEW AND CHEAP

Saddle, Harness, and Trunk Store,

499, Seventh Street, opposite Old-Fellows Hall.

**MEN'S, TOPHAM (late of Philadelphia)** has the honor to announce to his friends and the public, that they have commenced the Sadding Store, and keep constantly on hand a large and superior assortment of

**Men's, Ladies', and Boys' Saddles,**

**Bridles, Martingales, and Whips.**

Harness of every description, both for city and country use.

All kinds of Trunks, Valises, and Carpet Bags.

Ladies' Satchels, Travelling Baskets, and Fancy Work Boxes.

Horse Blankets, Covers, Collars, and Hammes.

Horse, Spoke, and Dust Brushes.

Cars, Curry-combs, Sponges, &c.

All material used will be the best that can be obtained; and both of us having been practical workmen for several years, we feel confident that we cannot be surpassed, either for style or durability.

By unremitting efforts to give satisfaction, we hope to merit, and respectfully solicit, a share of public patronage.

Particular attention paid to covering Trunks, and repairing all kinds of work.

Saddlers' Tools constantly on hand.

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### THE GREATEST DISCOVERY

OF THE AGE.

**WOOD'S**

**HAIR RESTORATIVE.**

AFTER having become gray, and reneasted in it all its original health, lustre, softness, and beauty; removes at once dandruff from the scalp, and all unpleasant itching, as well as all cutaneous eruptions, such as Scald Head, &c., and hence creates a perfectly healthy state of the scalp, by acting as a stimulant and tonic to the organs necessary to supply coloring matter to the hair, and completely restores them to their original vigor and strength, and thus prevents all tendency to become gray. It also prevents the hair from becoming unhealthy, and falling off, and brings it out where it is gone by reconstituting the organs necessary to supply nutriment, health, and coloring matter to it, and hence acts as a perfect Hair Invigorator and Tonic.

CHANDLER, N. Y., Aug. 9, 1856.

GENTLEMEN: Nothing but a duty and sympathy that I feel to communicate to others who are afflicted as I have been would induce me to give this public acknowledgment of the benefit I have received from Prof. Wood's Hair Restorative. When I first commenced using it, my hair was quite gray, and in spots entirely bald. I have now used the Restorative about five months, and my hair is entirely changed to its original color, brown, and the new hair is over three inches in length on the spots where it was bald. I have also been much gratified at the healthy nature and vigor of the hair, which before was dry, and it has ceased to come out so formerly.

Respectfully, yours, &c.,

**Mrs. R. A. STODDARD.**

W. W. WATSON, 1854.

Prof. O. J. Wood: With confidence can I recommend your Hair Restorative as being the most efficacious article I ever saw. I have used the Wash and many other preparations of the day, all to no effect. Since using your Hair Restorative, my hair and whiskers, which were almost white, have gradually grown dark, and I now feel confident that a few more applications will restore them to their natural color. It also has relieved me of all dandruff and unpleasant itching, so common among persons who perspire freely.

J. J. WOOD & CO., 318 Broadway, N. Y., and 114 Market street, St. Louis, Mo.

For sale in Washington, by CHARLES STOTT & CO., and by all Druggists.

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### FOR SALE, a two-story brick house

and Store, containing thirteen rooms, situated on King, between Fayette and Henry streets, Alexandria, Virginia.

Also, for sale, or exchange for country property, a number of other houses and lots, situated in Alexandria, Virginia.

For terms apply to H. O. CLAUGHTON, Alexandria, Virginia.

Dr. L. LLOYD.

Washington City, D. C.

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### DR. JOHNSTON.

**BALTIMORE Local Hospital,** has discovered the most certain, speedy and effectual remedy in the world for

**DISEASE OF IMPUDENCE.**

Relief in six to twelve hours.

No Mercury or Noxious Drugs.

A cure warranted, or no charge, in from one to two days.

Weakness of the Back or Limbs, Stricture, Pains in the Loins, Affections of the Kidneys and Bladder, Organic Weakness, Nervous Debility, Decay of the Physical Powers, Dyspepsia, Languor, Low Spirits, Confusion of Ideas, Palpitation of the Heart, Timidity, Tremblings, Dimness of Sight or Giddiness, Discharge of the Urine, Affections of the Head, Throat, Nose or Skin—these terrible disorders, arising from the indiscretion or Solitary Habits of youth—those dreadful and destructive practices which produce constitutional debility, render marriage impossible, and destroy both body and mind.

**Young Men,**

Especially, who have become the victims of Solitary Vice, that dreadful and destructive habit, which annually sweeps to an untimely grave, thousands of young men, of the most exalted talents and brilliant intellect, who might otherwise have entered, listening Senators with the thunders of eloquence, or walked to ecstasy the living lyre, may call with full confidence.

**Married Persons,** young men contemplating marriage, being aware of physical weakness, organic debility, deformities, &c., should immediately consult Dr. J., and be restored.

**Organic Weakness,**

Immediately cured and full vigor restored.

He who places himself under the care of Dr. J., may religiously confide in his honor as a gentleman, and confidently rely upon his skill as a physician.

**OFFICE, No. 7 South Frederick street,** Left hand side going from Baltimore street, a few doors from the corner.

Fail not to observe name and number.

Be particular to observe, *Dr. J. Quack*, with false names or *Poetry* *Imagined Certificates*, attracted by the reputation of Dr. Johnston, lurk near.

All letters must contain a Postage Stamp, to use on the reply.

**Dr. Johnston.**

Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, graduate from one of the most eminent Colleges of the United States, and the greater part of whose life has been spent in the hospitals of London, Paris, Philadelphia and elsewhere, has effected some of the most astonishing cures that ever were known; many troubled with ringing in the ears, and ears when asleep, great nervousness, being alarmed at sudden sounds, bashfulness, with frequent blushing, attended sometimes with derangement of mind, were cured immediately.

**Take Particular Notice.**

Dr. J., addresses all those who have injured themselves by improper indulgence and solitary habits, which ruin both body and mind, uniting them for either business, marriage, or society.

These are some of the effects of this disease, viz: Weakness of the Back and Limbs, Pains in the Head, Dimness of Sight, Loss of Muscular Power, Palpitation of the Heart, Dyspepsia, Nervous Irritability, Derangement of the Digestive Functions, General Debility, Symptoms of Consumption, &c.

**Mentally.**

The fearful effects on the mind are much to be dreaded—Loss of Memory, Confusion of Ideas, Depression of Spirits, Evil Forebodings, Aversion to Society, Self-Denial, Loss of Solitude, Timidity, &c., are some of the evils produced.

Thousands of persons of all ages, can now judge what is the cause of their declining health, losing hair, vigor, becoming weak, pale, nervous and emaciated, have a singular aversion about the eyes, cough, and symptoms of Consumption.

**Young Men**

Who have injured themselves by a certain practice indulged in when alone—a habit frequently learned from evil companions, or at school, the effects of which are nightly felt, even when asleep, and if not cured, render marriage impossible, and destroy both mind and body, should apply immediately.

What a pity that a young man, the hope of his country, the darling of his parents, should be snatched from all prospects and enjoyments of life, by the course of a few years, through the path of debauchery, and indulging in a certain secret habit. Such persons, must before contemplating

**Marriage,**

reflect that a sound mind and body are the most necessary requisites to promote conjugal happiness, and the numerous important Surgical Operations performed by Dr. Johnston, witnessed by the reports of the papers, and many other persons, notices of which have appeared again and again before the public, besides his standing as a gentleman of character and responsibility is a sufficient guarantee to the afflicted.

**Disease of Impudence.**

When the misguided and imprudent votary of pleasure finds he has imbibed the seeds of this painful disease, it too often happens that an ill-timed sense of shame, or a false notion of honor, prevents him from seeking relief from education and respectability, can alone befriend him, delaying till the constitutional symptoms of this horrid disease make its appearance, affecting the head, throat, nose, skin, &c., progressing on with frightful rapidity, till death puts an end to his suffering, by sending him to that "house from whence no traveller returns."

It is a melancholy fact that thousands fall victims to this terrible disease owing to the unskillfulness of ignorant pretenders, who, by the use of that deadly poison, mercury, ruin the constitution and make the rest of life miserable.

76 strangers.—The Dr.'s Diploma hang in his office.

Letters must contain a stamp to use on the reply.

Remedies sent by mail.

No. 7 South Frederick street, Baltimore, May 11-17

### IMPORTANT TO GENTLEMEN.

Great Inducements for you to Call and See.

The public that he has just received his stock of Fall and Winter Goods, comprising all the latest styles and colors of Cloths, Cassimeres, and Vestings; which goods will be made up to order, in the most elegant manner, as he has some of the best workmen in the United States at work for him. Being agent for Scott, the reporter of fashions, you may rely upon getting the most fashionable clothing.

**READY-MADE CLOTHING**

of his own make, such as Over-Garments, frock, dress, and business Coats, Pants, and Vests, from medium to very superior quality.

All the Above Goods will be sold at very low prices, for instance, a whole suit, Coat, Pants, and Vest, for the small sum of \$15.

Overcoats, beautiful style, from \$10 to \$20.

Pants, do do do 5 to 10.

Vests, do do do 2.50 to 10.

He respectfully solicits a call from all in want of Clothing.

**FURNISH**